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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR ELECTROSURGICAL TISSUE TREATMENT This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates:

09/248,763 / February 12, 1999; 60/096,150 / August 11, 1998; 60/098,122 / August 27, 1998; 08/795,686 / February 5, 1997; 08/990,374 / December 15, 1997 [] []

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X78=	\$312	
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